

I wish to strongly protest against passage of these two bills.

SB # 477 is nothing more than State government trying to gain legal coverage for promoting grants to anti-gun organizations in their efforts to eliminate the Second Amendment to the US Constitution. A back door effort to use tax dollars to promote their aims. Tax dollars, I may add, of those citizens who support the Second Amendment and would not freely contribute to these organizations to which they are unalterably opposed. To what part of the Constitution do those organizations, and those of you who may be in favor of these bills, not understand, ..."the right of the PEOPLE shall not be infringed."

HB 5397 is attempting to define gun violence as a public health menace. It is no more a public health menace than traffic accidents!

The problem is people, not guns. Guns don't hold up people or businesses, commit home invasions or murder or rape of their own volition. It is people who misuse guns that commit crimes with them. But this bill, and those of you who support it want to blame the gun instead of the criminal figuring this will ultimately disarm the American public thus giving criminals the opportunity to freely commit crime without fear of being injured or killed by legally armed Americans, who are protected by the US Constitution in their possession of firearms. Again, I repeat,...To what part of the Constitution do they, and those of you who may be in favor of these bills, not understand, ..."the right of the PEOPLE shall not be infringed."

Each of these bills are a direct infringement of that right codified in the Constitution and have been affirmed by the US Supreme Court in the MacDonald and Heller cases and may again be affirmed in the case pending in the Supreme Court against New York.

So stop wasting the tax payers' money and your jobs and DO THE JOBS YOU WERE SENT THERE TO DO and address real issues that affect the people of this State as there are plenty of them:

Outrageous Gas Prices

Rising Food Prices

Real Crime by making laws that affect the criminals not the guns Sky rocketing medical costs

Improvements in infrastructure

Respectfully,

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